REMARKS

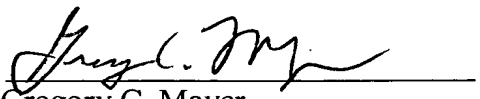
This paper is in response to the official action dated December 8, 2003, requiring election to one of two patentable groups of designs, and is timely filed as it is accompanied by a fee for a one-month extension of time.

In response, the applicants elect Group I, corresponding to claims 1-26, without prejudice. However, the application has been amended to make Group II, claims 28-34, dependent on the elected claims, and to make claim 35 (apparently overlooked in the official action) share unity of invention with Group I. Claim 27 has been cancelled, without prejudice. Accordingly, the restriction requirement is moot.

Should the examiner wish to discuss the foregoing or any matter of form in an effort to advance this application toward allowance, the examiner is urged to telephone the undersigned at the indicated number.

Respectfully submitted,

MARSHALL, GERSTEIN & BORUN LLP

By: 

Gregory C. Mayer
Reg. No. 38,238
Attorneys for Applicants

February 6, 2004

6300 Sears Tower
233 South Wacker Drive
Chicago, Illinois 60606-6357
(312) 474-6300